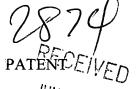
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

This communication is responsive to the Examiner's Office Action mailed March 9,2001.

Please amend the Specification and Claims as rewritten below in clean form. Another version of the rewritten Specification and Claims is attached hereto on a paper separate from the amendment labeled "Version With Markings To Show Changes Made," marked up to show all the changes relative to the previous version of each paragraph of the Specification and Claim being amended.

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